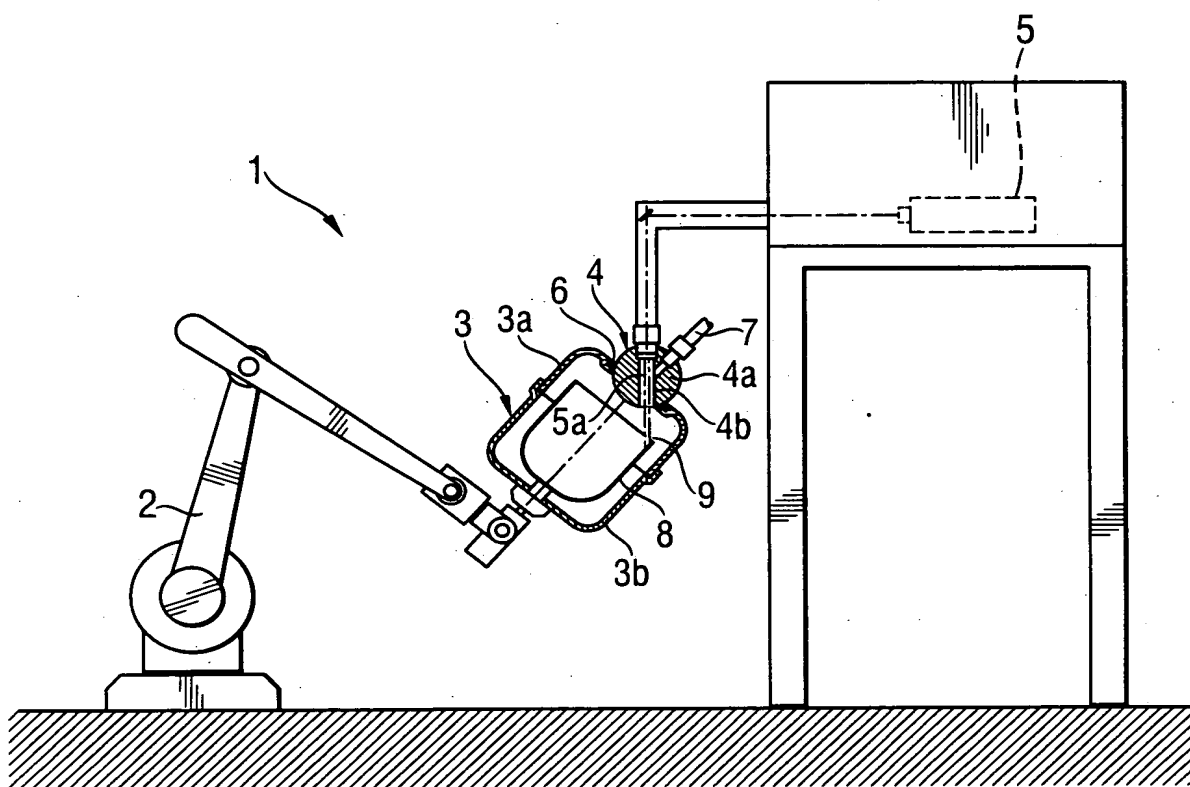


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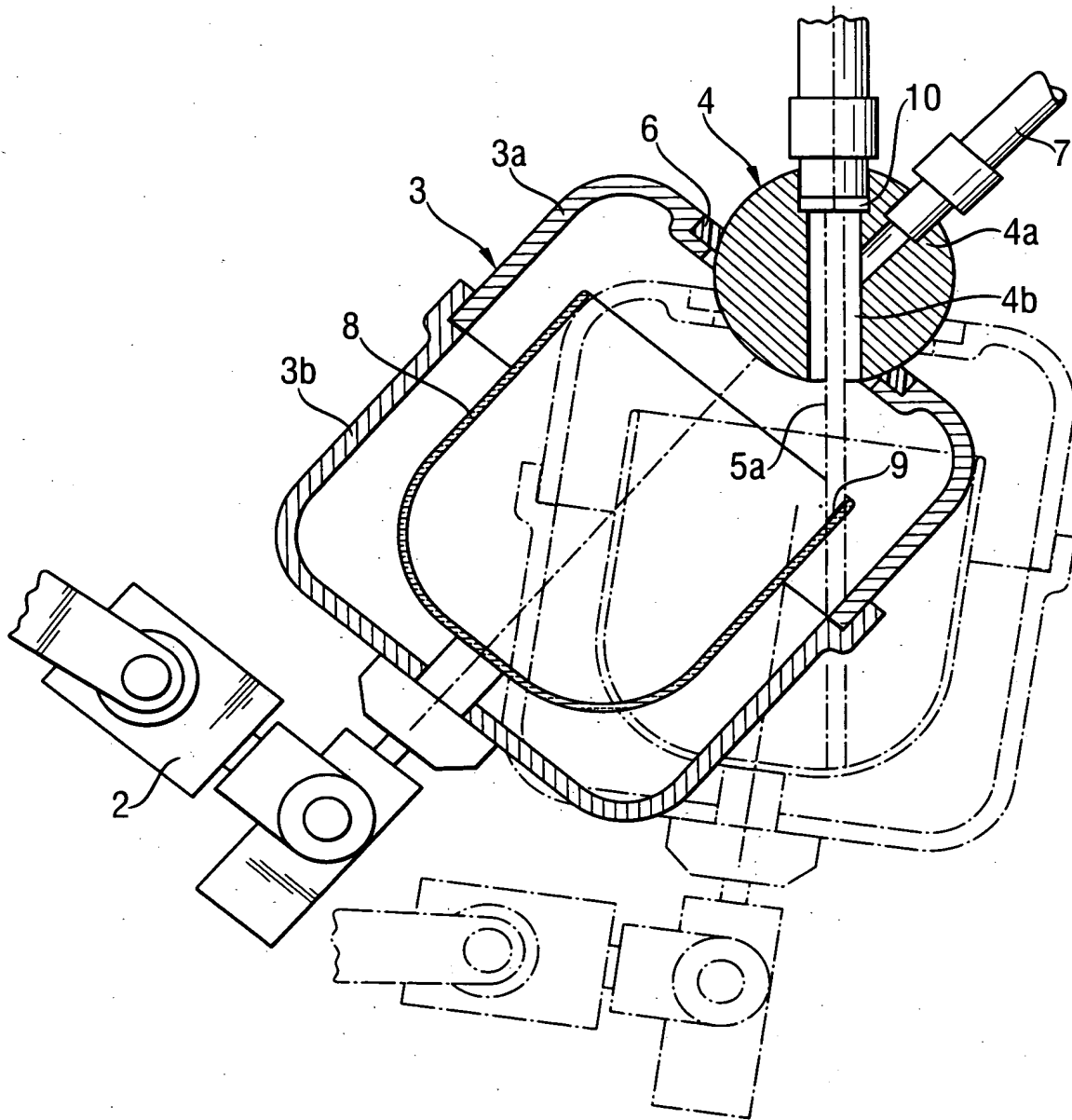


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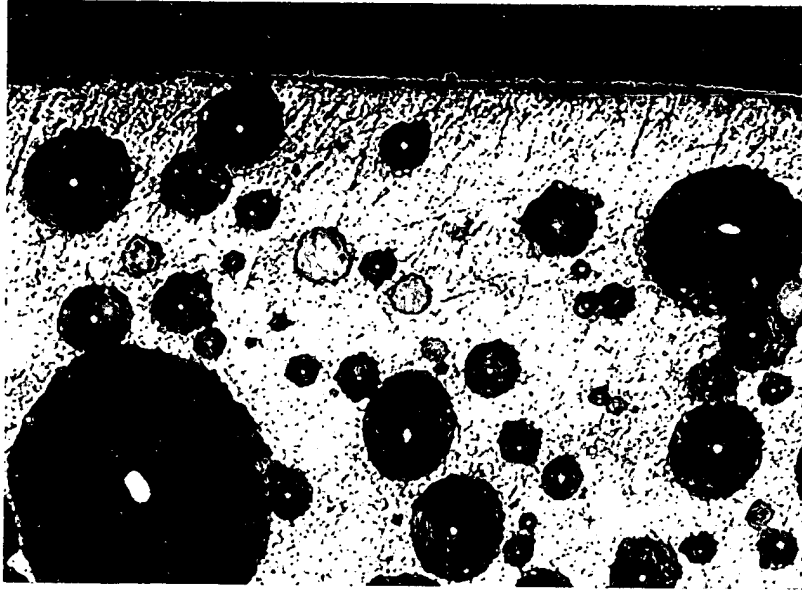
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***Fig. 2***



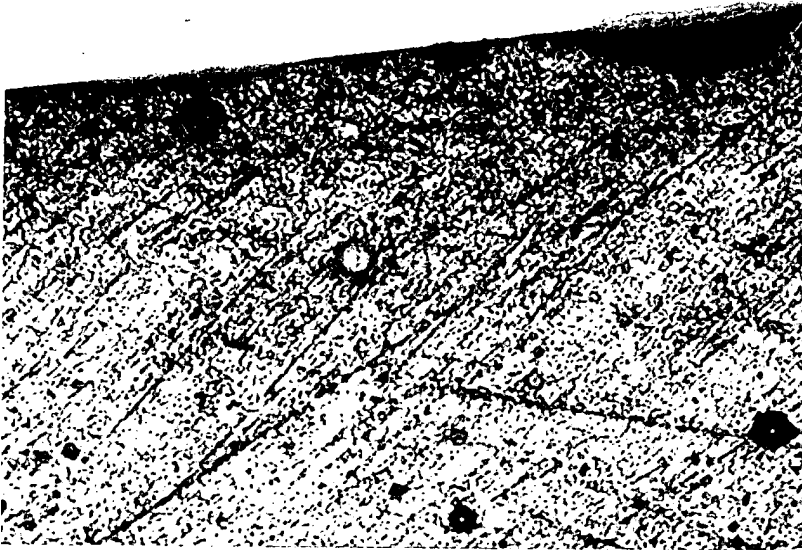
**Fig. 3a**



200  $\mu\text{m}$

Crucible vitrified at standard pressure

**Fig. 3b**



200  $\mu\text{m}$

Crucible vitrified at  $2 \times 10^{-2}$  mbar

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***Fig. 4***

